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## PREVIOUSLY IN SPAWN

Satan makes a bargain with Spawn that if he gives up his Costume, he can have Wanda. Spawn doesn't take the deal, but instead snatches Wanda away from Satan and flees. As they begin their trek from Hell to Earth, Wanda realizes Spawn has been badly hurt. After stopping to rest, they get one last intimate moment together before Satan and his minions ascend upon them. Spawn takes Wanda in his arms as they continue to work their way towards the Dead Zone, but they are slowed down by a mighty hit from Satan, knocking Al and Wanda under the rubble.





AS A HUNDRED TONS  
OF CLIFFSIDE SETTLES,  
ITS FULL IMPACT  
BECOMES CLEAR.

AL!

GOD...

SCREAM  
ALL YOU  
WANT, BITCH.  
HE HAD IT  
COMING.

SINCE  
HE TOOK MY  
ORIGINAL ARM,  
I WANTED TO  
SHOW WHAT MY  
NEW ONE  
COULD DO  
TO HIM.

AND  
HIS WIFE.



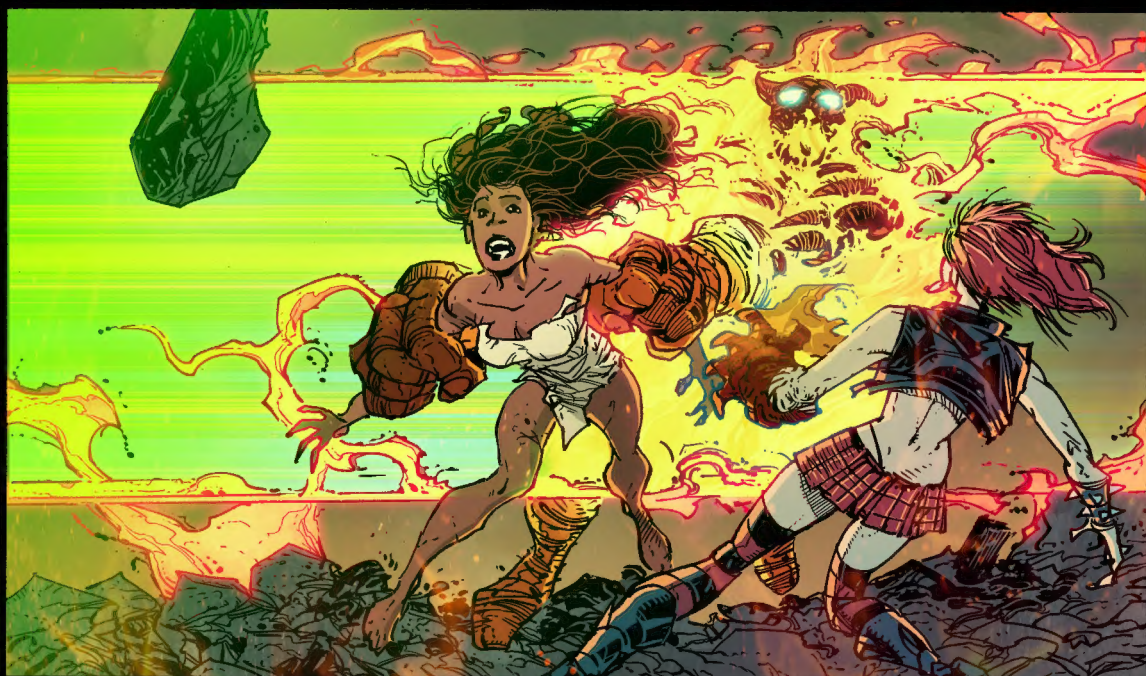


LET

HER

GO!!





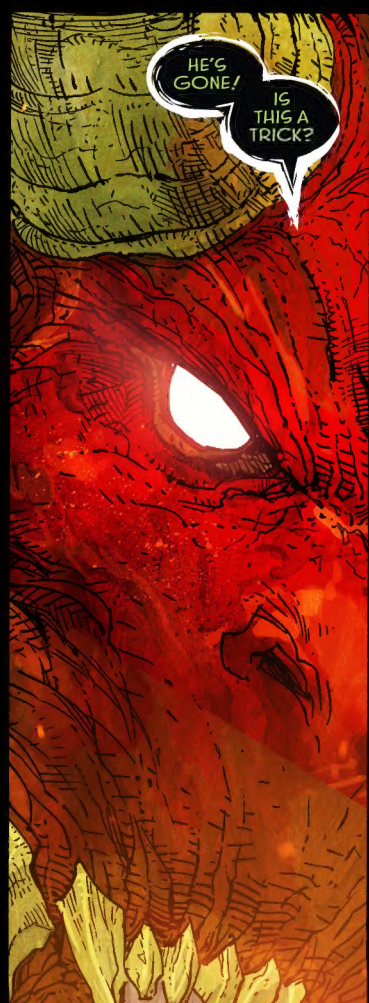


THEY  
DON'T...  
**BUT I  
DO!**

**CHOOM**









IN ANOTHER PART OF THIS  
MACABRE WORLD, ONE OF  
SATAN'S HELLIONS CLOSES  
IN ON ITS OWN PREY.



IT'S HERE.  
BURIED  
SOMEPLACE.  
SHE WANTED IT  
HIDDEN.

HOPING  
I WOULDN'T  
FIND IT.



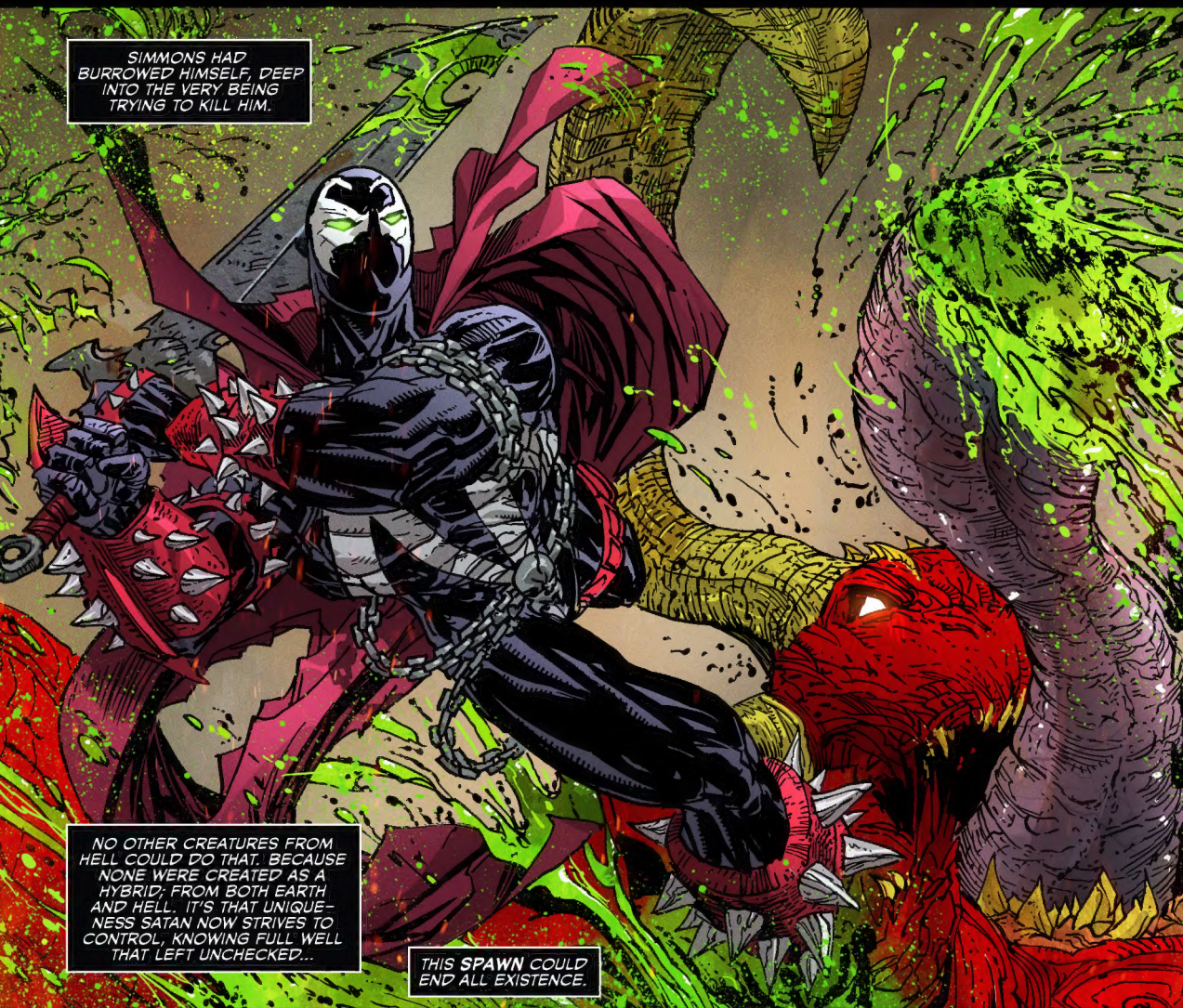
AH.

THERE  
YOU ARE.



BECAUSE WHEN HE  
FOUND WANDA FOR THE  
FIRST TIME, SHE WAS  
MISSING SOMETHING.  
SOMETHING THAT  
COULD CHANGE THE  
ENTIRE OUTCOME OF  
SPAWN'S BATTLE.







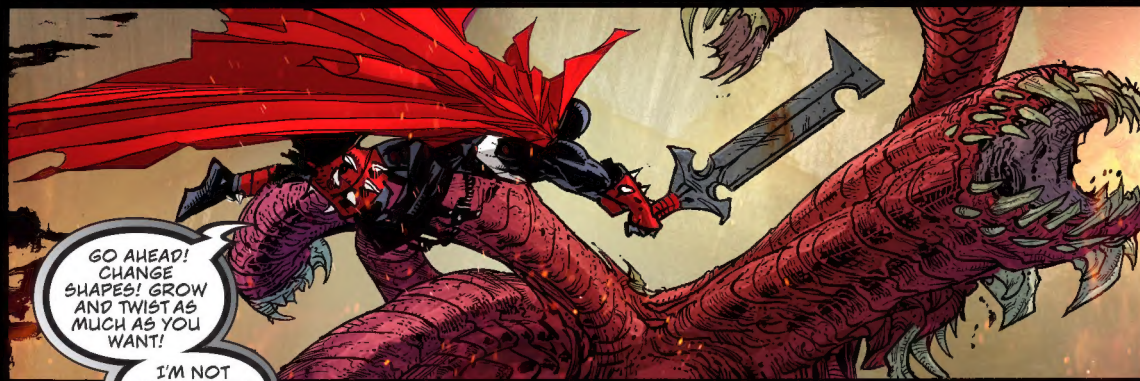


AND NOTHING--  
INCLUDING WANDA  
AND SPAWN HIMSELF--  
WOULD SURVIVE!

THAT'S WHY SATAN NEEDS THE  
COSTUME. TO PROTECT HIMSELF  
FROM THE VERY THING HE CREATED.



AFTER ALL THESE LONG YEARS,  
AL FINALLY UNDERSTANDS THIS.



GO AHEAD!  
CHANGE  
SHAPES! GROW  
AND TWIST AS  
MUCH AS YOU  
WANT!

I'M NOT  
AFRAID! NOT  
ANYMORE!



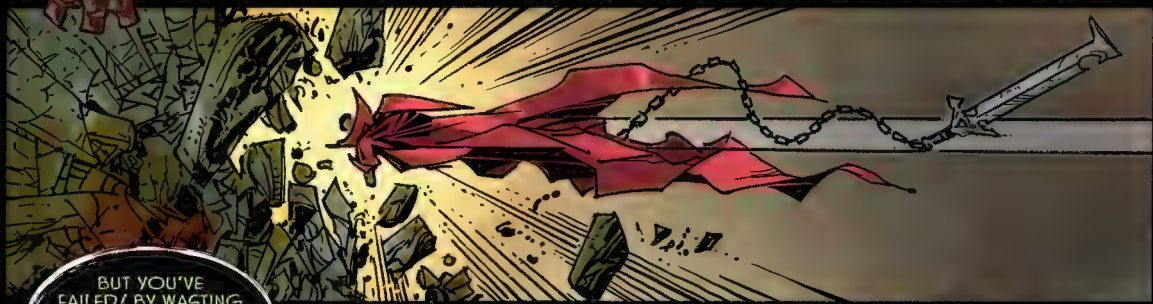
BECAUSE  
IT'S YOU WHO  
SHOULD BE  
SCARED!  
KNOWING WHAT  
I CAN DO TO  
YOU!





I DO KNOW.

WHUMP



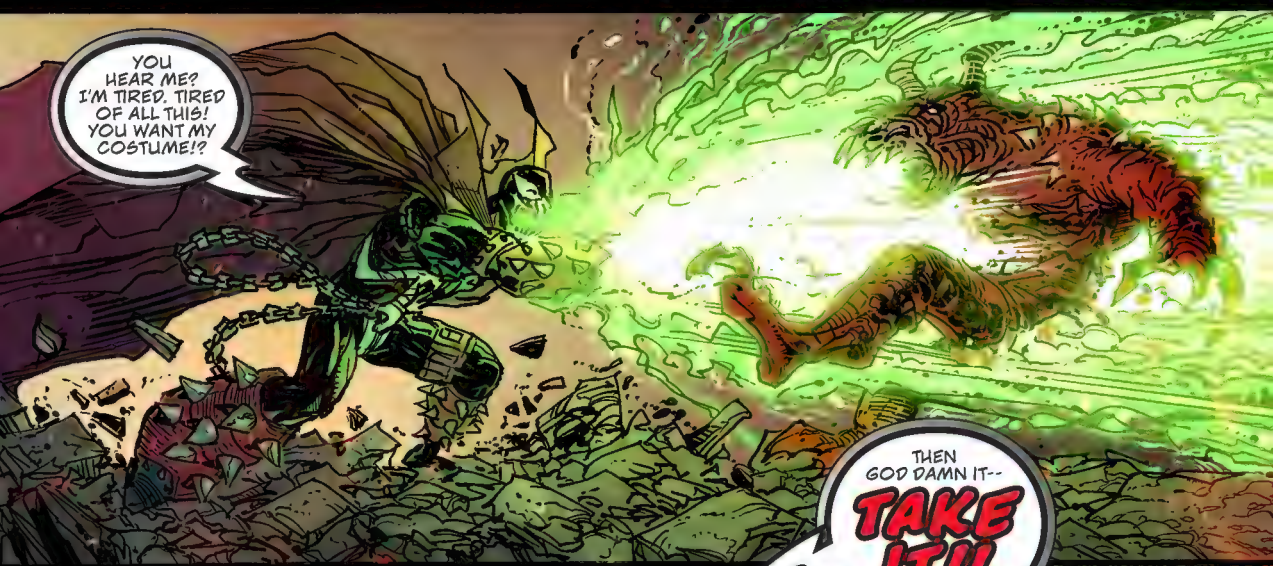
BUT YOU'VE FAILED! BY WASTING THE POWERS GIVEN TO YOU. IF YOU WON'T USE THEM TO SERVE HELL ...



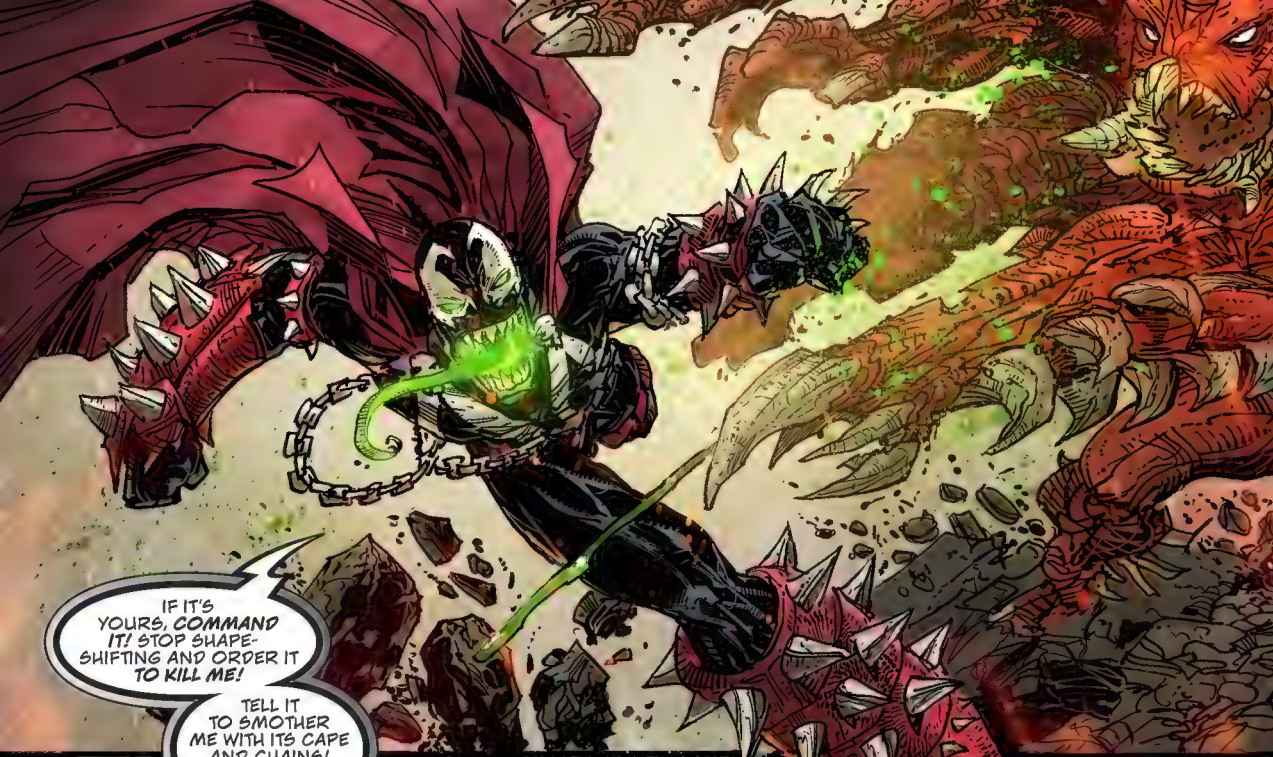
THEN IT'S TIME I TOOK THEM BACK!





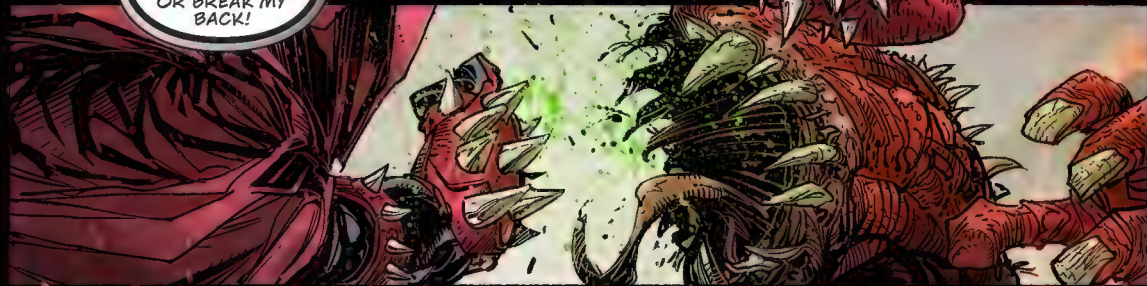






IF IT'S  
YOURS, COMMAND  
IT! STOP SHAPE-  
SHIFTING AND ORDER IT  
TO KILL ME!

TELL IT  
TO SMOTHER  
ME WITH ITS CAPE  
AND CHAINS!  
OR BREAK MY  
BACK!



TELL IT  
ANYTHING!  
AND SEE IF IT  
LISTENS TO  
ANYTHING  
YOU SAY.

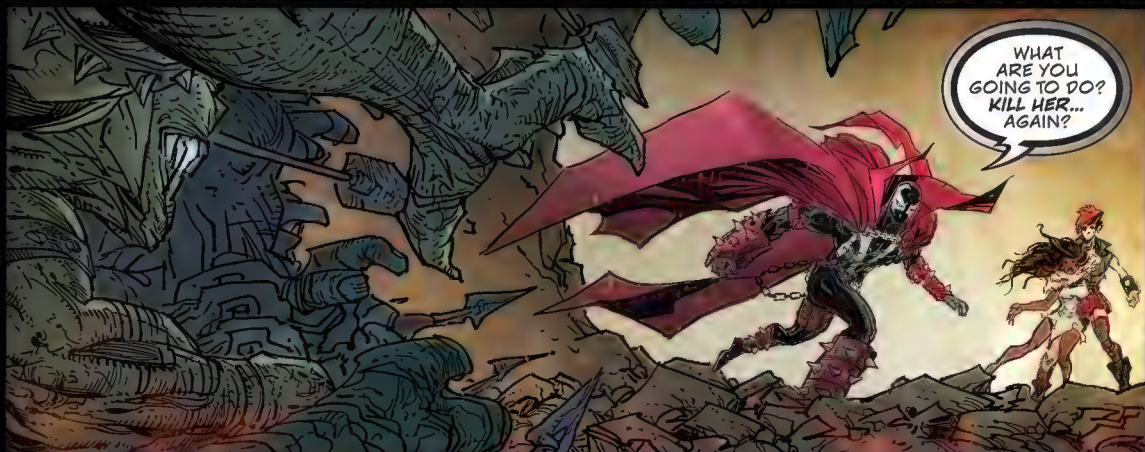
AL!...  
WATCH  
YOUR BACK,  
SHE'S GOING  
TO...

URK



THAT'S  
ENOUGH,  
BITCH!









AND I'M  
NOT LEAVING  
UNTIL ALL OF  
YOU PAY FOR  
THAT!



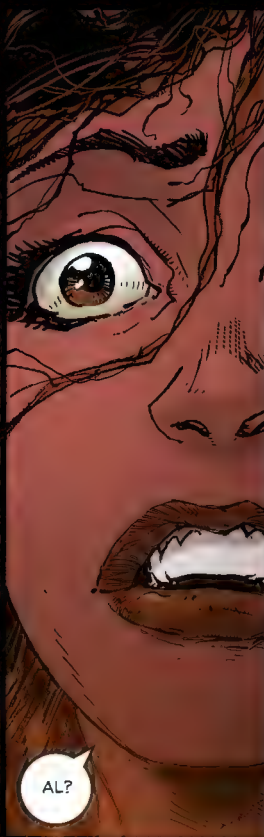
EVERY  
LAST  
ONE OF  
YOU!



AL...  
DON'T!  
LET'S GO.  
LET'S JUST  
GO!



HE DOESN'T HEAR  
HER. NOT IN THE  
STATE HE'S IN NOW.



AL?

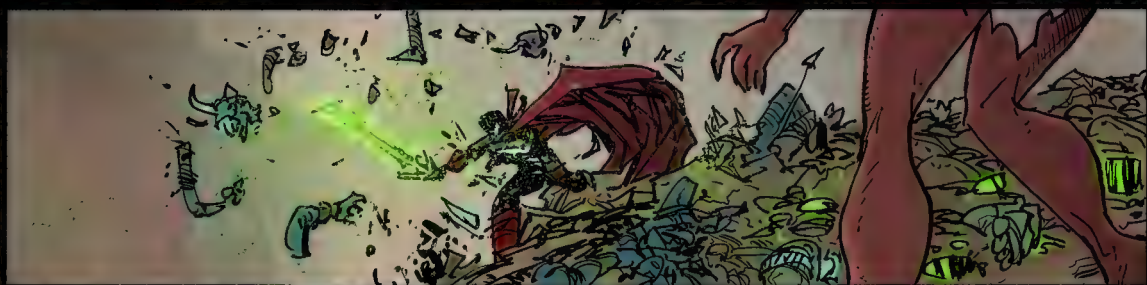
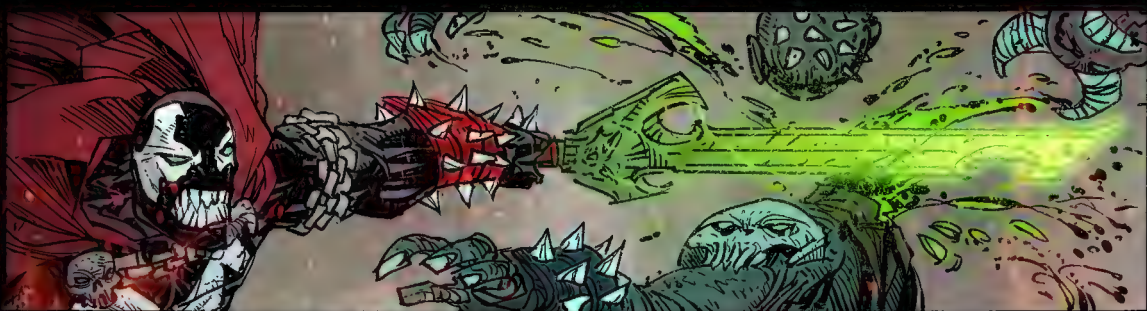
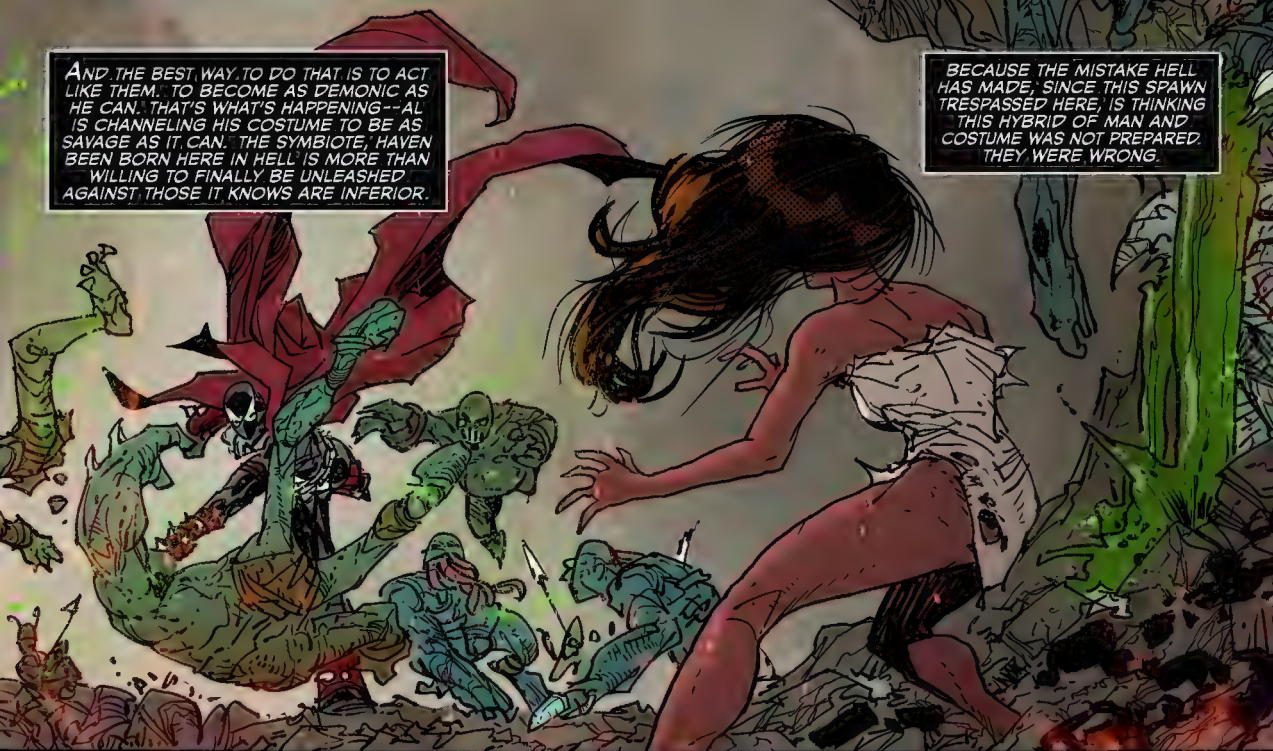


HELL STARTED THIS  
FIGHT AND AL  
MEANS TO FINISH IT.  
FOREVER.



AND THE BEST WAY TO DO THAT IS TO ACT LIKE THEM. TO BECOME AS DEMONIC AS HE CAN. THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING--AL IS CHANNELING HIS COSTUME TO BE AS SAVAGE AS IT CAN. THE SYMBIOTE, HAVEN BEEN BORN HERE IN HELL, IS MORE THAN WILLING TO FINALLY BE UNLEASHED AGAINST THOSE IT KNOWS ARE INFERIOR.

BECAUSE THE MISTAKE HELL HAS MADE, SINCE THIS SPAWN TRESPASSED HERE, IS THINKING THIS HYBRID OF MAN AND COSTUME WAS NOT PREPARED. THEY WERE WRONG.



THAT... IS FINALLY BEGINNING TO SINK IN.

YOU'RE RIGHT. IT'S TIME TO GO.





SOMEONE  
DISAGREES



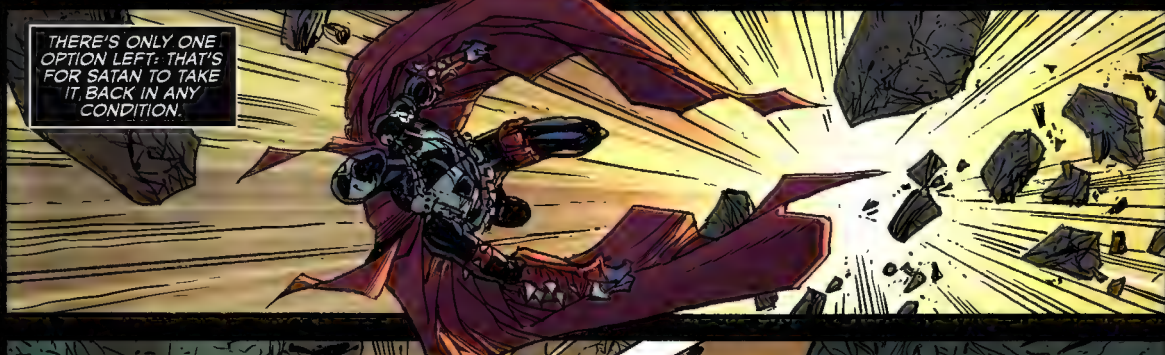




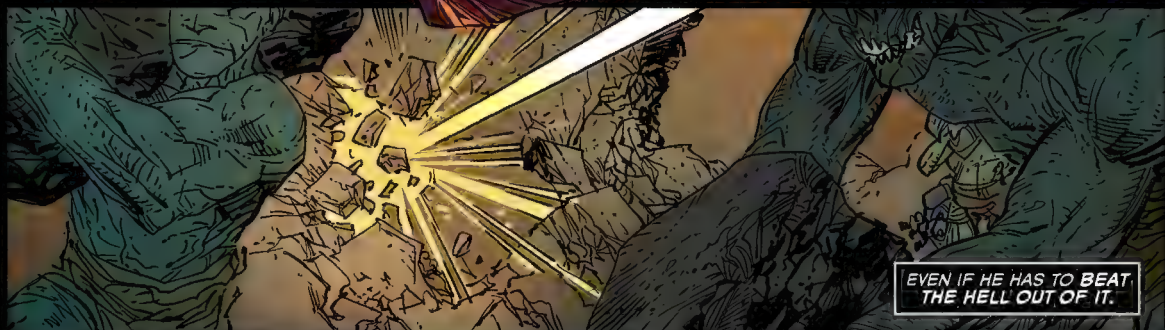
UNTIL NOW, HELL'S LORD HAS BEEN PATIENT, WAITING AND BIDDING TIME TO SEE IF HE COULD GAIN CONTROL OF THE HELLSPAWN'S COSTUME WHILE INFLECTING THE LEAST AMOUNT OF DAMAGE TO IT.



THAT CAUTION PROVED MISGUIDED.



THERE'S ONLY ONE OPTION LEFT: THAT'S FOR SATAN TO TAKE IT, BACK IN ANY CONDITION.



EVEN IF HE HAS TO BEAT THE HELL OUT OF IT.

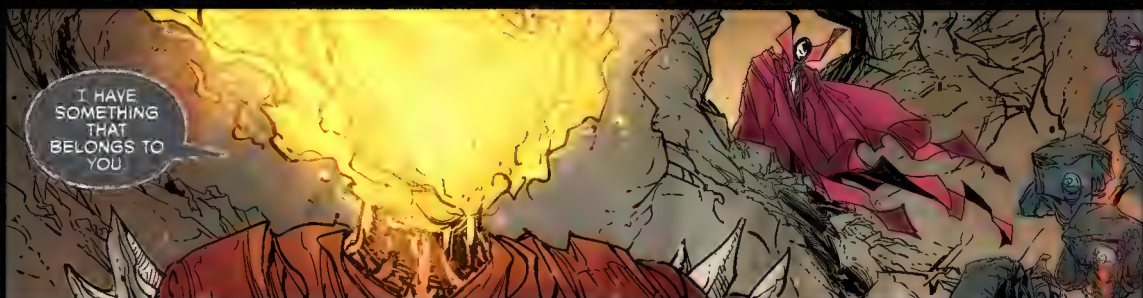




STILL... HELL IS WILLING TO  
MAKE ONE LAST OFFERING.



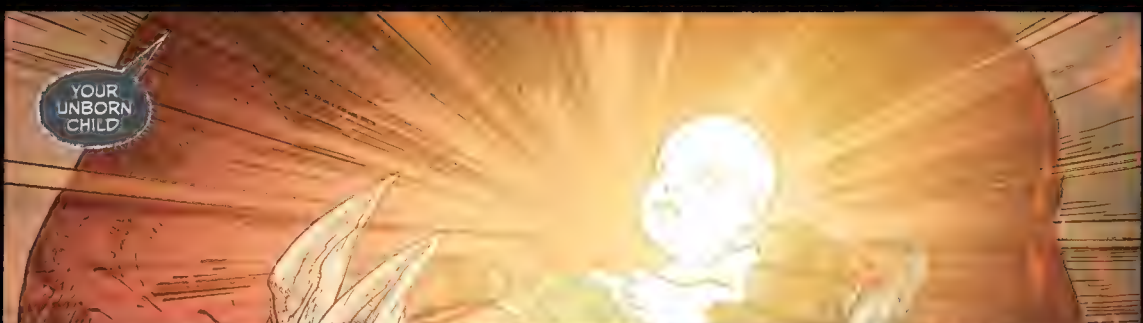
SIMMONS



I HAVE  
SOMETHING  
THAT  
BELONGS TO  
YOU




SOMETHING  
YOU AND YOUR  
WIFE SHOULD  
BE QUITE  
INTERESTED  
IN



YOUR  
UNBORN  
CHILD

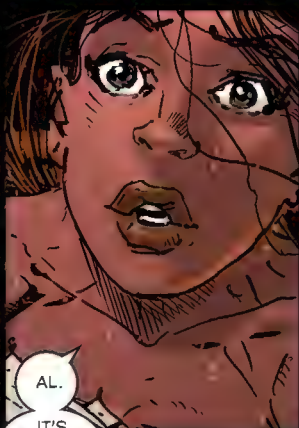
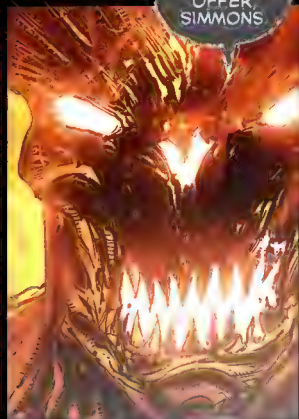




ONE LAST  
TIME, HELLSPAWN.  
RELINQUISH THE  
VESSEL YOU WEAR--  
THEN YOU, YOUR  
CHILD AND YOUR  
WIFE ARE FREE  
TO GO.

IF NOT--  
NONE OF  
YOU EVER  
LEAVES HERE  
AGAIN.

TAKE THE  
MASTER'S  
OFFER  
SIMMONS



AL.

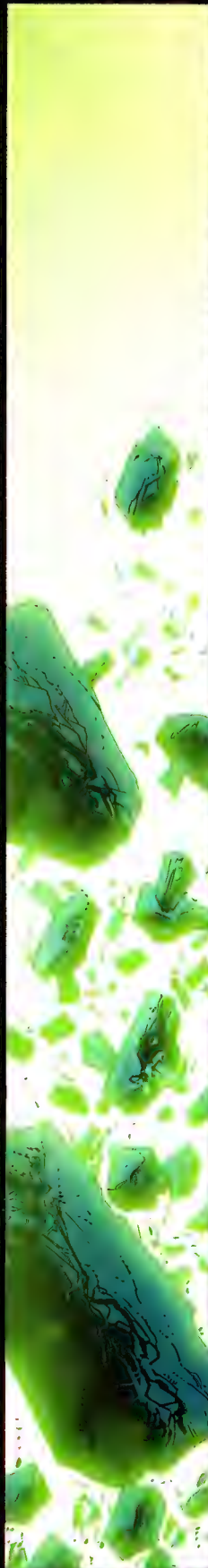
IT'S  
NOT  
WHAT YOU  
THINK.



WANDA...

FORGIVE  
ME. THERE'S  
NO OTHER  
WAY.





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# SPAWNING GROUND

HELLO ALL!

This month brings all kinds of new things from Todd and his toy company, McFarlane Toys!

First off, we are only one issue away from the end of the *Satan Saga Wars*. For those of you who are wondering if Erik is going to stay on past this arc, yes he is! He isn't going anywhere!

If you didn't see the announcement on Todd's Facebook, he is putting together an adult *Spawn* coloring book. This book collects Todd's art from the beginning of *Spawn* to his more recent work. Not only will there be some of the most detailed covers from Todd, but also memorable art from inside the *Spawn* comic! It will hit shelves in April, so look for it at your local comic book shop or bookstore!

In toy news, McFarlane Toys went to New York Toy Fair and made some pretty BIG reveals and announcements! Word on the street is that there was even an entirely new *Spawn* action figure on display. Visit [McFarlane.com](http://McFarlane.com) to see all of what's new for 2016!

For this Spawning Ground, Todd went back to Facebook and posed this question to fans:

If *Spawn* was forced (because he wouldn't do it willingly) to team up with one of his enemies from the *Spawn* Universe, who would it be and why?

Enjoy!

Shannon Bailey  
Publishing Coordinator

Q: If *Spawn* was forced (because he wouldn't do it willingly) to team up with one of his enemies from the *Spawn* Universe, who would it be and why?

The Redeemer for sure. Always one of my favorite characters. What better team up than *Spawn* and the Anti-*Spawn*!

Daniel C.

The Violator! He's one of the deadliest and strongest of *Spawn*'s enemies. Though he has tricked *Spawn* in the past, he is by far the smartest as well.

Tom M.

I'd have to go with Jason Wynn. Not only is he the reason *Spawn* (Simmons) is dead, but they have pure hate towards each other. The hate makes the team strong in a weird way.

Chris M.

I think one of the biggest and most ironic team-ups would be *Spawn* and Anti-*Spawn* (Redeemer) going at it together against Satan in HELL!!

Edwin M.



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I'd like him to do a crossover with Cerebus again or another creator-owned character like in *Spawn* issue 10.

**Skip E.**

I think a Spawn team up with Gertrude from Skottie Young's, *I Hate Fairyland*, would be awesome. I might finally get my wife to read *Spawn*.

**Chris D.**

Overkill, because he can be persuaded easily to join Spawn's fight and he is adept in combat. Made it with 17 words, by the way!

**Jordan F.**

Cygor. I'd like for Spawn to get him to become more humane and embrace his gifts as a savage protector of the concrete jungle.

**Derrick G.**

It would have to be Malebolgia. With Spawn's quest to save the Wanda, he will have to unwillingly join forces with Malebolgia to gain the upper hand of the battle against the forces of Satan and his demonic army. But the catch is, Spawn not only uses his powers, but MANIPULATES Malebolgia to do his bidding as Malebolgia has done before to Spawn!

**Will T.**

Chapel. Loved his story arc and I know they were already teamed up in a sense, but I would have loved to see a fully empowered Chapel allied with Spawn in a brutal blood bath of a fight.

**Jamie P.**

Cogliostro! He wanted to become King of Hell. So he used Spawn for his desires. That would be an interesting duo. Spawn could use someone who is good at manipulation.

**David S.**

Spawn is teamed up with SATAN because they only have one human soul left on earth. God comes down with his sidekick St. Peter. Each team has to kill the last human to win the War of Souls.

**Jamie D.**

I think it would be cool to see crispy Al Simmons teamed up with the Symbiote Spawn suit in its true energy form.

**John G.**

The best and worst enemy... Spawn himself because of all internal and external conflicts that Spawn be generated in the course of the years. Different Spawns and different psychological characteristics, but the same character.

**Javier D.**



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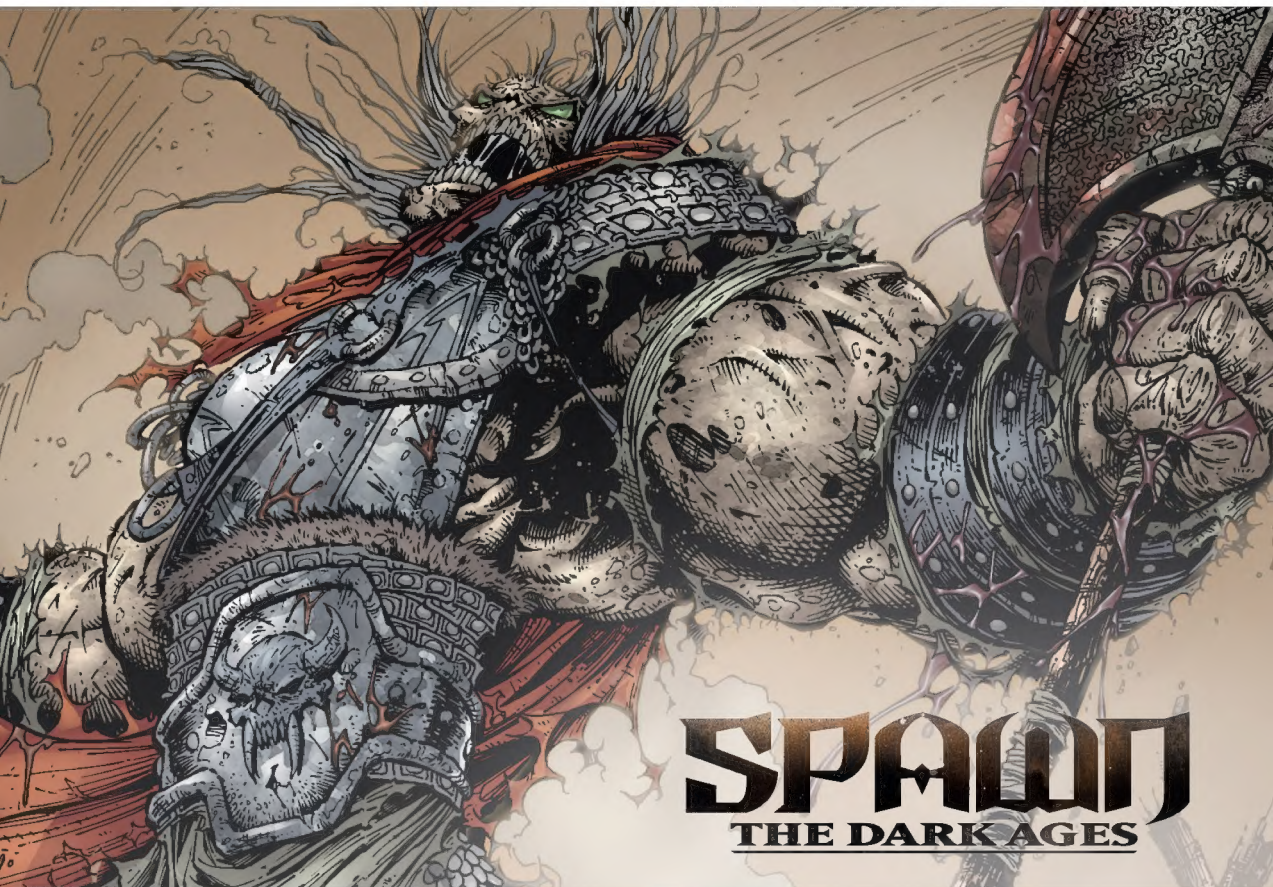
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